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I N T E L L I G E N C E A D V I S O R Y C O M M I T T E E

Minutes of Meeting Held in
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 19 August 1958

Director of Central Intelligence
Allen W. Dulles
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Hugh S. Cumming, Jr., Director of Intelligence and Research,
Department of State
Major General Robert Schow, Assistant Chief of Staff for
Intelligence, Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Laurence H. Frost, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General Harold E. Watson, acting for Assistant Chief of Staff,
Intelligence, United States Air Force
Brigadier General Robert A. Breitweiser, Director for Intelligence,
The Joint Staff
Mr. Charles H. Reichardt, acting for Atomic Energy Commission
representative to the IAC
Mr. Ralph R. Roach, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation
representative to the IAC

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ALSO PRESENT

Central Intelligence Agency

General Cabell

Mr. Robert Amory, Jr.

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Dr. Otto E. Guthe

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Department of State

Mr. R. H. Thigor

Mr. Charles Flowerree, DRS

Mr. Richard Ewing, DRF

Mr. William McAfee, INR

Department of the Army

Lt. Col. Harry Davis

Lt. Col. C. H. Pratt

Major W. O. Peak

Major R. L. Haley

Department of the Navy

Capt. Howell

CDR. Shaw

Cdr. Huber

Department of the Air Force

Lt. Col. P. G. Pickering, III

Major Marvin M. Glass

Mr. M. M. Laxson

The Joint Staff

Col. J. M. Pittman

Col. D. M. Garvey

Col. R. H. Stumpf

GMIC

Col. Earl McFarland

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1. Approval of Minutes
12 August Meeting
(IAC-M-356)

Approved as written. With reference to item 2b, [redacted] advised the members that he proposed to submit for consideration at an early IAC meeting a brief preliminary report on the kind of work already being done on analysis of Bloc press and radio propaganda.

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2. Situation Review

a. Watch Committee Report
No. 419

Noted. In this connection General Cabell referred to the problems which had arisen as a result of the extensive and increasing use of a NOFORN classification on intelligence information, particularly that originating in the Far East. After discussion, the members concurred in the Chairman's suggestion that the IAC agencies look into this matter and attempt to remedy this matter.

b. Review of Sensitive Situations

The Chairman noted that he proposed to circulate a Board of National Estimates memorandum on the Iranian situation, to be used as a basis for discussion at the next IAC meeting. The members then discussed factors bearing on this situation, particularly with respect to matters such as internal stability and the possibility of a coup.

The members reviewed developments in the Taiwan Strait situation, especially reports regarding movement or deployment of Chinese Communist military forces and the problem of obtaining advance warning of a Chinese Communist attack in the area.

Mr. Cumming referred to Sukarno's recent speech and the members discussed it and certain other matters bearing on the Indonesian situation. The members also exchanged views on developments in Laos.

Mr. Cumming commented on the possible implications of the recent Nasser-Faisal communique.

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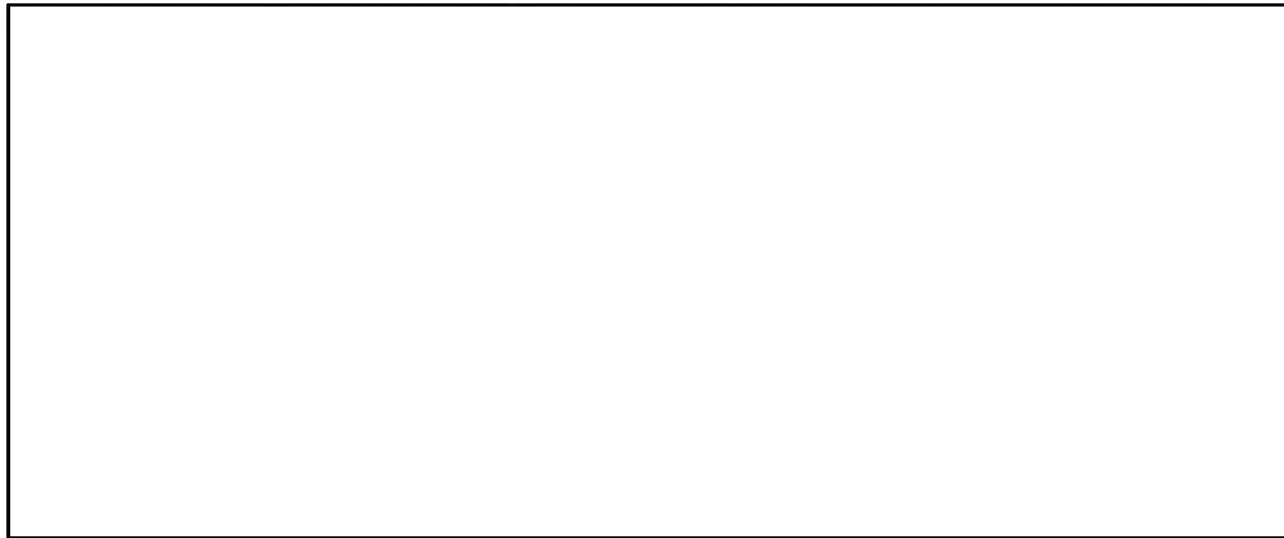


4. USIA Request for Intelligence Support
(IAC-D-82/8, 24 June 1958)

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After comments by [redacted] of CIA, the members exchanged views on the question of providing further intelligence support to USIA in developing additional information on the effectiveness of Voice of America broadcasts beamed at Bloc-controlled areas. It was agreed that, subject to certain amendments, a draft memorandum circulated at the meeting should be forwarded to the Director, USIA.



7. NIE 62-58
Thailand

a. Approved as amended.

b. Approved the post-mortem on this estimate, as amended. In this connection the Chairman emphasized the importance to the estimative process generally of obtaining more information regarding

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undercurrents of popular feelings or attitudes and suggested that collectors be alerted as to this requirement.

c. Approved the validity study of [redacted] "Probable Developments in Thailand". 25X1

d. Agreed to release this estimate to USIA.

8. NIE 11-5-58

Soviet Capabilities in Guided Missiles and Space Vehicles

a. Approved as amended. It was also agreed that the Problem, Foreword, Conclusions and Simplified Tabular Summary be published separately, as well as in the bound copy of the finished estimate.

b. Agreed (in executive session) that Mr. Cumming might show a copy of this estimate to the Director, USIA, for his personal information.

9. Executive Session

At 1235 the Chairman requested an executive session. During the course of this session it was agreed that the IAC meeting now scheduled for Tuesday, 2 September be held on that day at 1430 rather than 1045.

Adjournment: 1315

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Secretary